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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 29, 2002, applicant(s) elect(s) Claims-1 and 5 of Group I, without traverse. Please CANCEL the non-elected claims 2-4 and 8-8, without prejudice.

Respectfully submitted,

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